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**VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL**

July 7, 2020

TO: Service List dated June 1, 2020

FROM: Melanie A. Bachman *MAB*  
Executive Director

RE: **PETITION NO. 1407** - Torrington Solar One LLC and VCP, LLC d/b/a Verogy petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 1.975-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility on an approximately 66.4 acre parcel located generally south of East Pearl Road and east of Torrington Street (Route 183) in Torrington, Connecticut and associated electrical interconnection.

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The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of correspondence from Representative Jay M. Case and Senator Kevin Witkos, dated June 26, 2020, concerning the above-referenced petition.

Pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies § 16-50j-40, a copy of the petition is to be submitted to each member of the legislature in whose assembly or senate district the facility is to be located for review.

A copy of the correspondence from Representative Jay M. Case and Senator Kevin Witkos is attached and will become part of the record of this matter in the form of a limited appearance.

MAB/MP/lm

c: Council Members



State of Connecticut  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
STATE CAPITOL  
HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT 06106-1591

June 26, 2020

The Connecticut Siting Council  
Attn: Lisa Fontaine  
10 Franklin Square  
New Britain, CT 06051

Dear Council Members:

We write to you to relay the concerns of the City of Torrington and neighboring property owners who are opposed to the recent petition number 1407 submitted by Verogy to install a solar array on East Pearl Road, Torrington, CT.

This property is productive farm land and has been leased out by the Catholic Cemeteries Association to local farmers for many years. We are disappointed that this may no longer be the case. At a time when we are losing more viable farmland year after year, it is our fear that this land will never be returned to its productive agricultural use if this project moves forward.

The need for clean energy options is real, however, we must also give credence to the impact projects like these have on neighboring properties. Many neighbors, as well as members of the Torrington City Council have expressed serious concern over the impact of this project and the impact this project would have on the wildlife of this wooded area of Torrington.

We are aware that the administration of the City of Torrington has discussed this project at length and has suggested possible alternative sites that may be better suited to this use. It is our sincere hope that the Council consider the public feedback that has been received from the many neighboring property owners when making your decision. We appreciate your attention to these concerns.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Representative Jay M. Case in black ink.

Representative Jay M. Case  
63<sup>rd</sup> District

Handwritten signature of State Senator Kevin Witkos in black ink.

State Senator Kevin Witkos  
8<sup>th</sup> District

Cc. The Hon. Mayor Elinor Carbone, City of Torrington